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RESURFACING A FEMUR AND METHOD OF  
MAKING THE SAME

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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This response is being submitted in reply to the communication of October 19, 2004 which includes a restriction requirement. This response is being timely filed within the shortened 30-day statutory period for response expiring on November 19, 2004 and accordingly no fee is due.:

Claims and status are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.